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THE PINEHURST MEETING

At the Pinehurst meeting it was voted to discontinue the publishing of the proceedings in book form and to turn over to the *Dental Cosmos*, for their publication, all papers read before the meeting. There was no provision made for publishing to the membership the many actions taken by the House of Delegates, and in order that this important part of our program may not go unpublished, it has been thought wise to incorporate same in this number of The Bulletin

The Officers and Committees who had in charge the Virginia-North Carolina Joint Meeting at Pinehurst, wish to take this opportunity to thank all members and visitors who by their presence, contributions to the program, and splendid cooperation, helped to make the meeting the largest and most successful ever held within the borders of North Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

The registration at the Pinehurst meeting was 508. 262 were members of the North Carolina Dental Society, 112 were members of the Virginia Dental Association, and 134 were visitors, guests and exhibitors.

MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES May 1, 4:00 P. M.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President, Dr. S. Robert Horton.

The Secretary called the roll of the Delegates:

Dr. S. Robert Horton, President.

Dr. R. M. Morrow, President Elect.

Dr. B. F. Hall, Vice President.

Dr. H. O. Lineberger, Secretary.

Dr. E. G. Click, Treasurer.

Delegates from the First District: Dr. Wm. F. Bell, Dr. J. R. Osborne, Dr. F. L. Hunt, Dr. A. B. Holland, Dr. D. E. McConnell.

Delegates from the Second District: Dr. S. B. Bivens, Dr. Whitfield Cobb, Dr. J. F. Reese, Dr. F. C. Johnson, Dr. W. B. Houston.

Delegates from the Third District: Dr. W. F. Clayton, Dr. R. M. Morrow, Dr. D. F. Keel, Dr. O. H. Hester.

Delegates from the Fourth District: Dr. E. B. Howle, Dr. A. H. Fleming, Dr. W. L. McRae, Dr. P. L. Pearson, Dr. J. F. Coltrane.

Delegates from the Fifth District: Dr. R. Weatherbee, Dr. J. N. Johnson, Dr. L. R. Gorham, Dr. J. R. Edmundson, Dr. J. G. Poole.

Members of the Executive Committee: Dr. R. M. Squires, Dr. W. M. Robey, Dr. J. S. Spurgeon.

Members from the State Board of Dental Examiners: Dr. J. H. Wheeler, Dr. J. Martin Fleming.

The matter of sending Clinicians to the American Dental Association meeting in Cleveland, was brought before the House and discussed.

Dr. W. M. Robey moved that a Committee be appointed to select the Clinicians from the Clinics given at the meeting now in session.

The motion was seconded and passed. President Horton appointed the following Committee Dr. W. M. Robey, chairman; Dr. J. Martin Fleming, Dr. J. H. Wheeler.

Dr. J. Martin Fleming moved that the name of Dr. J. R. Osborne, Shelby, N. C., be placed on the list of life members.

Motion passed, and a rising vote was taken which proved unanimous.

Dr. Whitfield Cobb moved that a paper read by Dr. J. Martin Fleming on "Some History of Dental Organization and Dental Law in North Carolina" be read at this meeting.

Motion seconded by Dr. J. C. Watkins.

Dr. Fleming requested that he be allowed to keep the paper for reading at the Fiftieth Anniversary of the State Society.

Discussed by Dr. W. M. Robey and Dr. J. N. Johnson.

Dr. R. M. Squires offered as a substitute motion "that the paper be presented to the Society at its Fiftieth Anniversary meeting next year."

Motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. H. O. Lineberger presented to the House of Delegates for discussion the proposition of the State Society joining with the State Board of Health, in sending a Health Exhibit to the Cleveland meeting of the American Dental Association, September 10-14, 1923.

The matter was discussed by Dr. J. N. Johnson and Dr. H. O. Lineberger.

Dr. J. N. Johnson offered the following motion: "That the Health Exhibit be sent to Cleveland, providing the expenses paid will not exceed one-half the total necessary expenses of Exhibit."

Motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. R. M. Squires presented the following applications for membership in the Society: Drs. A. D. Abernathy, Granite Falls; O. J. G. Barnett, Badin; F. D. Castlebury, Raleigh; H. B. Foster, State Board of Health, Raleigh; J. E. Holt, Cherryville; H. L, Keel, Durham; Matt McBrayer, Rutherfordton; S. E. Malone, Goldsboro; O. P. Smith, Asheville; T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount; F. H. Underwood, Wilson; A. E. Worsham, Henderson; G. N. Yates, Fremont.

The names of S. E. Malone and A. E. Worsham were discussed in reference to their time served in the World War, and the matter was referred back to the Executive Committee for further investigation.

The House of Delegates adjourned for one minute.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President.

The names presented, with the exception of S. E. Malone and A. E. Worsham, passed the second reading and were accepted as new members.

GENERAL SESSION

Tuesday evening, 8:00 o'clock

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following Officers were elected:

Dr. J. A. McClung, President Elect	
DR. L. R. GORHAM, Vice President	
Dr. H. O. Lineberger, Secretary	
Dr. E. G. Click, Treasurer	
Dr. Whitfield Cobb, Essayist	
Members of the Examining Board: I	Dr. J. S. Betts, Greensboro, and Dr.
A. C. Thompson, Wilson.	•

Delegates to the American Dental Association: Dr. F. L. Hunt, Asheville; Dr. Chas. L. Alexander, Charlotte; Dr. Conrad Watkins, Winston-Salem. Alternates: Dr. E. J. Tucker, Roxboro; Dr. D. F. Keel, Greensboro; Dr. J. S. Spurgeon, Hillsboro.

Invitations from the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, the Sir Walter Hotel, the Civitan Club, and the Kiwanis Club, to meet in Raleigh were read.

Invitations from the Civitan Club, the Hotel Elwood, the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Sheraton Hotel, the Mayor of High Point, and the Rotary Club, to meet in High Point were read.

An invitation from the Carolina Hotel to meet in Pinehurst was read.

Raleigh was chosen as the next place of meeting.

A motion was presented by Dr. J. S. Spurgeon that a resolution of appreciation for splendid service during the meeting be sent to Mr. Leonard Tufts of the Carolina Hotel.

The motion was passed, and the Secretary ordered to send the letter of appreciation.

Dr. J. S. Betts presented the following resolution: "Resolved that the North Carolina Dental Society has heard with regret of the change in the work of the State Board of Health which carries Dr. G. M. Cooper to other departments of health work. We feel that the work of Dr. Cooper in directing the dental inspection and work in the Public Schools of the State has been of more value and service to the public than any other work attempted by the State Board of Health.

"We feel further, that no person in either the Medical or Dental profession could have accomplished what Dr. Cooper has done in organizing and putting in working order the plans under which the work has been done.

"We regret his transfer to another department, and will always hold him in affectionate remembrance.

"To Dr. Cooper's successor, Dr. J. S. Mitchner, we pledge the same undivided support which it has been our pleasure to give Dr. Cooper.

"The Society wishes to go on record that it appreciates the work of Dr. J. C. Johnson, in supervising and directing his able corps of helpers whose work has meant so much to our State."

The motion was seconded by Dr. J. M. Fleming, and was

unanimously passed.

Dr. D. F. Keel moved that a telegram be sent to Dr. Chas Regan, who is in the Hospital at Laurel, Md.

Motion seconded and was so ordered by the President.

Report on President's Address

Your Committee on the President's Address beg leave to make the following report:

We deem it unnecessary to say that this was an able, well prepared address—since those who heard it can testify to that—but go directly to the recommendations worked out.

We recommend:

- 1. That the Society employ an efficient Secretary at a salary of \$500 per year, whose duty it shall be to secure and make contracts with Clinicians and Exhibitors for our annual State meetings; to arrange and publish bulletins and programs, look after all clerical work of the Society and assist in so far as he may in the perfection of the District organizations.
- 2. That a Committee be appointed to look into the advisability of carrying our own liability insurance and report at our next meeting.
- 3. That the time of meetings be left with the Officers after the place of meeting has been selected by the Society.
- 4. That a Committee be appointed to encourage every Hospital in the State to appoint a dentist on its staff and to secure, if possible, a dentist on the staff at all State and Philanthropic Hospitals under the supervision of the State Board of Health.
- 5. That a Committee be appointed to work in conjunction with a Committee from Virginia, if they see fit, to develop plans for an annual Mid-Winter Clinic in Richmond.
- 6. That a loving cup be offered by the State Society to the District giving the best clinic at the annual meeting—this to remain the property of the District for one year or until won by some other District.
- 7. That we recommend the suspension of the publication of the proceedings of the North Carolina Dental Society.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. SQUIRES, Chairman.

F. L. Hunt,

J. H. WHEELER, C. C. KEIGER,

H. L. KEITH.

Dr. E. J. Tucker moved that the report be accepted.

The motion was seconded and passed.

The Society adjourned.

MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES May 1, 8:00 P. M.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President Dr. W. M. Robey presented the following changes in the Constitution and By-Laws for consideration:

Article III, Section 2, Line 4, of the Constitution: After the words "Good moral character" add "and a member of a component District Society."

That the name "National" wherever it appears in the Constitution and By-Laws be changed to "American".

A motion was made that the rules be suspended and the above changes be made.

The motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. J. N. Johnson discussed the relation of the District Societies to the State Society, in reference to the requirement of each member to be a member of their District Society.

Dr. R. M. Squires presented the following applications for membership: Drs. C. A. Adams, Jr., Durham; Wm. A. Hayes, High Point; E. M. Medlin, Morganton; H. E. Nixon, Edenton; T. S. Wilson, Leaksville; H. R. Hege, Mount Airy.

It was moved and seconded that these applications, with the

exception of H. R. Hege, be accepted as members.

Motion passed.

The House of Delegates adjourned for one minute.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President. The above names passed the second reading and were accepted as members of the Society.

The House of Delegates adjourned.

MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES May 3, 9:30 A. M.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President. Dr. W. M. Robey presented the following additional Amendments to the By-Laws:

ARTICLE III

Section 1. Candidates for membership in the North Carolina Dental Society, may be proposed at any regular session of the House of Delegates, recommendations for same being made in writing, accompanied with the initiation fee of ten dollars, and signed by two members of the Society, this fee to be accepted as the initiation fee and one year's dues from the following January 1st.

January 1st.

Sec. 1-a. The Executive Committee is empowered to accept as members in the North Carolina Dental Society, such applicants as have become members of their District Society, when such applications are accompanied by

the proper fees.

ARTICLE V

DUES

Section 1. The annual dues of the Society shall be ten dollars, two dollars of which shall be apportioned to the American Dental Association, and shall include the subscription to the American Dental Journal; one dollar of the annual dues shall be paid to the Research Division of the American Dental Association.

PAYMENT OF DUES

Sec. 2. The payment of dues to this Society shall be according to the provisions of this Article, Section 3, and payable in advance to the District Treasurer, in whose District the member practices and to which Society he must belong, as provided for in Article III, Section 2, of the Constitution.

TIME OF PAYMENT—DELINQUENCY

Sec. 3. All dues shall be due and payable on or before January 1st, for the current year. Any member whose dues are not paid on or before January 20th, for the current year shall not be entitled to receive the Journal of the American Dental Association until such dues are paid, subject to the rules of the Journal Any member in arrears shall be disqualified from voting or from being elected to or holding any office in this Society.

DROPPING FROM THE ROLL

- Sec. 4. Any member who shall fail to pay his or her dues for one year shall be dropped from the roll of membership and shall not be reelected until he or she shall have paid his or her one year's arrears and a regular initiation fee for that year, provided the application is in regular form and is recommended by the Executive Committee.
- Sec. 5. Members suspended while in service of the World War, for non-payment of dues, may be reinstated upon application through the regular channels, accompanied with one year's dues. In case the applicant desires to take advantage of Article III, Section 4, of the Constitution relative to Life Membership, his twenty-five consecutive years shall be reckoned by payment of all back dues, excepting period of active service and illness resulting therefrom.

HONORARY MEMBERS

Sec. 6. Honorary members are exempt from all fees and dues.

LIFE MEMBERS

Sec. 7. Life members shall be exempt from all dues and fees, except as provided for in Article III, Section 4, of the Constitution.

The above changes were discussed by Drs. F. L. Hunt, R. M. Morrow, H. N. Walters, R. M. Squires, F. A. Macon.

A motion was made to suspend the By-Laws and make the above changes.

The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Dr. R. M. Squires presented the following applications for reinstatement: Drs. F. G. Chamblee, I. H. McKaughan, H. R. Hege.

The applications were voted on and passed first reading.

The names of Dr. Otto U. King and Dr. William A. Giffen were recommended and elected to Honorary Membership.

10.00

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ETHICS COMMITTEE

A report of the Ethics Committee was read. Dr. F. A. Macon presented the report in the form of the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Article I, Section 10, of the By Laws of the North Carolina Dental Society be amended so that these words in lines 10 and 11 be eliminated, viz:

"Then the chairman shall serve a copy of them on the accused," and in lieu thereof, the following words inserted, viz: "Said investigation shall be conducted without the knowledge of the accused or accuser. Should the investigation justify such action, the chairman shall notify the accused by serving him or her with a copy of the charges contained in the bill of complaint."

The resolution was turned over to the new Ethics Committee.

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash received from former Treasurer \$ Government War Savings Stamps cashed Interest on Certificates of Deposit Received for Membership Fees Received for Dues 2	492.09 235.00 10.50 116.00 5,591.00			
Total receipts	\$3,444.59			
DISBURSEMENTS				
Clinicians expenses at Wrightsville \$ Membership Fees returned \$ Printing Proceedings \$ Secretary's supplies and printing \$ B. C. Beckwith (Attorney's fees) \$ American Dental Association Dues \$ Secretary's salary and expenses \$ Treasurer's salary and expenses	133.07 12.00 266.50 169.86 50.00 861.00 158.07 138.38			

May 1, 1923.

Those in arrears for two years: T. T. Ashburn, J. G. Barnett, C. H. Chamberlain, Thos. F. Davis, J. B. Millikin, J. B. Montomery, C. R. Wooten, M. G. Adams, R. H. Perkins, C. W. Regan, J. M. Underhill, J. T. Underwood, W. D. Gibbs.

A motion was made to continue Dr. C. W. Regan another twelve months on account of illness, and to continue Dr. C. H. Chamberlain another twelve months on account of circumstances.

The motion was seconded and passed.

Fee for Treasurer's bond

A motion was made to accept the report of the Treasurer.

The motion was seconded and passed.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

Pinehurst, N. C., May 1, 1932.

We, the undersigned Committee appointed to audit the books of the Treasurer of the North Carolina Dental Society, beg to submit that we have examined the books carefully and find them accurate.

> J. R. EDWARDS, E. R. WARREN.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Legislative Committee has no special report to make, other than to say that Mr. Bowie again introduced his "little dental bill" to license one Sharp to practice without license in Ashe County. The Bill was passed in the House before we knew of its introduction, but was killed before the Senate Committee by a unanimous vote, but it was done only by the active cooperation of dentists throughout the State who came to our rescue.

> F. L. Hunt, Chairman. E. J. TUCKER, J. M. FLEMING.

REPORT OF THE CLINIC COMMITTEE

The Clinic Committee desires to thank the Clinicians both from without and from within the State for their willingness to serve as Clinicians, and for their unselfish efforts to make the Clinics a success.

And we feel that all will agree that the Clinics this year surpass any ever attempted in North Carolina, both in their variety of subjects treated and and in the thoroughness of the preparation. Much of the success of the State Clinics has come from the active cooperation of the five District Societies of the State and is but a foretaste of what we may expect when the District organizations come to full fruition.

The thanks of a grateful Society is extended to all Clinicians.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Keith, Chairman, J. A. McClung, J. L. Gibson, H. N. WALTERS, P. R. FALLS.

REPORT OF ORAL HYGIENE COMMITTEE

The following record is taken from the Dental Department of the North Carolina State Board of Health:

Caronna State Board of Hearth.	
Total number of children treated	32,382
Number amalgam fillings	39,391
Total number of operations	
Amalgam fillings per child	
Total operations per child	
Total expenditures\$29	
Per capita cost to State	.91
Per capita cost to ParentsNot	
Per capita cost to Counties or other AgenciesNot	
Total per capita cost	.91

J. C. Johnson, Chairman.

A. P. READE,

E. J. GRIFFIN.

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the members of the Membership Committee, wish to make the following report. During the past year we have tried to get in touch with every dentist in our respective Districts by letter, word of mouth or both, and we have especially urged those that are not members of our Society to become members, telling them of the great benefit and pleasure they would receive by rubbing shoulders with other fellows that feel down in the mouth occasionally, and we have seen some results of our labor, by some that became members and some have been reinstated.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. Cromartie, Chairman.

A. C. Bone, J. H. Hurdle, C. C. Keiger,

E. L. EDWARDS.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the North Carolina Dental Society:

The Executive Committee has very little report to make. We have met two or three times since our last annual meeting, for the purpose of threshing out the problem of dues. The result of this has been published and sent out by the Secretary, and once to change the date and place of meeting.

The Officers of the Society have so thoroughly worked out the plans for this, the greatest meeting in our history, that we were left nothing to do.

On behalf of the Society, we desire to thank the Hotel management for the excellent service, the visiting speakers and clinicians for their helpful contributions, and the exhibitors for their attractive exhibits; all of which have been large factors in the glorious success of this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. SQUIRES, Chairman, W. M. ROBEY, J. S. SPURGEON.

REPORT OF EXHIBIT COMMITTEE

The Exhibit Committee begs to report that with the cooperation of the Officers of the Virginia Dental Association and the North Carolina Dental Society, we have been fortunate enough to secure the largest number of Manufacturers and Dealers Exhibitors we have ever had—numbering thirty in all. Said Exhibitors contributing \$\$\$40.00 toward the expenses of this meeting.

Respectfully submitted

R. M. OLIVE, Chairman.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF DISTRICTS

The Supervisor of Districts has only to report a general satisfactory functioning of the five (5) districts.

The importance of the part each district should play in the State Society is not fully realized by the dentists of the State, but those dentists who attend the district meetings are realizing it so that we have splendid prospects for full district meetings.

It appears to be advisable to redistrict the State, basing our boundaries on transportation and railroad centers rather than our present method. This

should be seriously considered before making a change, as one or two active districts are preferable to five inactive districts.

If we boost the district societies, we boost dentistry and the State Society.

W. M. Robey, Supervisor of Districts.

The House of Delegates adjourned for one minute.

The House of Delegates was called to order by the President.

The applications of Drs. F. G. Chambee, I. H. McKaughan and H. R. Hege for reinstatement were voted on and passed the second reading and accepted as new members.

The House of Delegates adjourned.

A LETTER FROM OUR TREASURER

REGARDING PAYMENT OF YOUR SOCIETY DUES

Dear Fellow Member of the North Carolina Dental Society:

This is a personal letter to you in regard to your dues to the State Society, which you have either paid to me, or else in spite of your earnest efforts, and trying as best you could to raise this amount, you have failed to come across with.

If you will read carefully, Sec. 3, Article 5, of the By-Laws you will notice, that dues are to be paid in advance on or before January 1 for the current year.

Too many of the brethren have been in the habit of waiting to pay their dues until they come to the State meeting. Or if they don't come, no telling when they pay. Now this is bad business! Our Society can not run its finances on what it hasn't got, or on what it may hope to get, but according to what it has. The time to pay your dues is the first of the year, in advance, and not the middle, or the last of the year.

Are you not as loyal to your State Society as the Virginians are to theirs? If so, listen to this! At the Pinehurst meeting only forty-five Virginians were delinquent in their dues, while we with a smaller membership, had nearly two hundred delinquents. All of these two hundred were in bad standing until their dues were paid. All of these two hundred were failing to receive the American Journal, on account of being delinquent.

This is a bad state of affairs! Our finances can never be on a sound basis until each member makes it a personal matter to see that his or her dues are paid in advance as the By-Laws require.

On June 11, I mailed out eighty-six statements. If you received one of these cordial notes, please take notice, and at your earliest convenience act accordingly, helping me in this way to put our society on a sound financial basis.

Very truly yours,

E. G. CLICK, Treasurer.

THE CLEVELAND MEETING

The North Carolina Dental Society was represented in the House of Delegates of the American Dental Association by Dr. Chas. L. Alexander, Dr. R. E. Spoon, and Dr. H. O. Lineberger.

Dr. Chas. L. Alexander and Dr. L. G. Coble ably represented our Society as Clinicians.

Dr. J. C. Johnson, of the North Carolina State Board of Health, did our State and Society great credit in the wonderful showing he made with his Health Exhibit. It was interesting to note that our State is one of the few in the entire United States that is actually doing something in the field of Dental Work for school children.

THE RELIEF FUND FOR RUSSIAN DENTISTS

The November number of the Journal of the American Dental Association carried a complete report concerning the movement to assist the destitute Russian dentists, in resuming the practice of their profession and thereby earning a livelihood and relieving suffering humanity. It is not my intention to discuss the merits of this philanthropic movement, which in my mind, is the greatest benevolent and unselfish motion that ever unanimously passed the highest National Legislative body of our profession, but merely to call your attention to Editorials written by President, Dr. John P. Buckley, and Secretary, Dr. Otto U. King.

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Dental Society at a meeting held in Raleigh, October 18, 1923, after reviewing all the facts relative to the Russian Relief, and considering the extreme urgency of the case, voted to authorize the Treasurer to send at once to Dr. Otto U. King a check for North Carolina's part.

The following letter was sent enclosing remittance:

DR. OTTO U. KING, Chicago, Ill. Dear Dr. King:

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Dental Society held in Raleigh, October 18, 1923, your report of the Cleveland meeting was taken up and after thorough consideration it was decided by a unanimous vote to back all the recommendations set down in Dr. Buckley's address and to insist that our membership support whole heartedly all actions taken by the House of Delegates.

The question of donating three hundred dollars toward the Russian Relief was thoroughly discussed. Immediate action was insisted upon by several members, including retiring Vice President of the American Dental Association, Dr. Chas. L. Alexander, Charlotte, N. C. The Treasurer has been instructed to forward to you a check covering North Carolina's part in this great work for suffering humanity.

I am,

Fraternally yours.

H. O. Lineberger, Secretary.

The following reply was received:

Dr. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh, N. C. November 12, 1913.

Dear Dr. Lineberger:

Personally, and on behalf of our great American Dental Association, I want to thank you and also congratulate your membership on your loyalty to the program adopted by the House of Delegates at Cleveland. We have already entered your contribution of \$300 to the Russian Relief and you will find this listed in the coming issue of the Journal. I am sorry we did not receive it in time to publish it in the December issue.

Again thanking you for your splendid contibution to this worthy cause.

and with best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours, Otto U. King, Secretary.

DR. CHAS. L. ALEXANDER PRESIDES OVER AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

During one of the most sensational sessions of the House of Delegates at the Cleveland meeting, President John P. Buckley called Vice-President Alexander to the chair. Dr. Buckley made a forceful speech in favor of the Russian Relief and while Dr. Alexander presided, the motion to furnish the Russian Dentists 550 sets of instruments costing \$27,500 was unanimously passed. So to a North Carolinian goes the honor of presiding over the greatest Dental Association in the world, during the session when it passed its greatest motion.

THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL MEETING

Plans are already well under way for a big meeting in Raleigh April 21, 22 and 23, 1924. The following have already very kindly accepted a place on the program: Dr. Otto U. King, Chicago, Secretary of the American Dental Association; Dr. Percy R. Howe, Boston; Dr. John B. Wright, Raleigh; Dr. M. B. Rudd, Richmond; Dr. J. Martin Fleming, Raleigh. Others will be added just as soon as we receive positive acceptance.

The Clinic Committee is at work under Dr. J. A. McClung, through the District Societies.

The Committee on Exhibits hopes to be able to put on the finest Manufacturers display ever shown in the State.

Make your arrangements to be on hand and do your part to make the meeting just what it should be.



THE BULLETIN

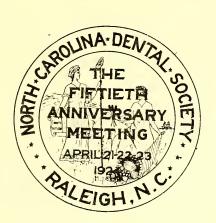
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A PERSONAL NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Some time ago I sent out a letter to the Chairmen of all Committees and asked that they get busy on the special work assigned them. While I feel confident that each Committeeman is going to do his duty, yet I am convinced there is a very important work that each and every member can and should do in order that our Fiftieth Anniversary meeting will be a fitting climax for

a half century's progress.

Only last week I discussed many points with the Secretary and was delighted with the present progress made on the program—the great number of men of national reputation who are to be with us, the hearty response of the exhibitors, and the splendid interest shown by the Raleigh Dental Society in arranging for our entertainment. The matter of local clinics and paid up memberships as of February 1st has not come up to our expectation.

It takes only a glance at Dr. Click's statement to show that the reports of some District Secretary-Treasurers are far short of what they should be. This may or may not be negligence on the part of the Secretaries, however, every one will agree that the delinquent member has not fulfilled his obligation to our Society, and therefore is not entitled to any of the privileges of the Society and will not receive the Journal until he has squared himself with the Society.

The Director of Districts has asked that each District furnish at least five clinicians for the State meeting. These clinicians are to be selected from the clinics given at the District meetings, therefore I urge you to give a clinic before your District Society.

The Secretary has published a pamphlet which contains a roll of all white dentists in North Carolina. Listed by Districts. In reviewing this list, it was astonishing how many good men in our State had been dropped from our roll or else had never been members of the North Carolina Dental Society. It is your duty as a good member of the Society to show these men where they are losing by not being actively identified with our organization.

In conclusion, I would say to every member, be honest with yourself, improve yourself as our profession progresses, bring the other fellow into the Society and help him to do better. Throw your influence on the side of progress. Decide now to attend the State meeting in Raleigh, April 21, 22, 23, 1924, and help us make this the greatest meeting in our history.

R. M. Morrow.

GROWING TENDENCY TO ADVERTISE THE

J. Martin Fleming, D.D. S., Raleigh, N. C.

Read Before the Fourth District Dental Society at Fayetteville November 15, 1923

In the beginning I wish to read some public advertisements which have come into my hands unsought within the last few vears.

These are not all. I wish I had saved more.

Names are suppressed because that would do no good. All are members of the State Society. I have no quarrel with the individual advertiser himself but I am rather trying to awake the professional Dental Conscience to the enormity to which it has grown.

Exhibit 1—(Newspaper Card)

"Dr. Blank Dentist. Office North Main St., Blank town. Phone blank.

"Special attention given to patients suffering from rheumatism, stomach and intestinal trouble and chronic headaches which usually result from diseased teeth."

Exhibit 2—(A Postal Card)

"Influenza—The experience of last year's epidemic showed that there were many serious sequences, such as severe headaches, rheumatic conditions and many other conditions which favored the permanent loss of health. And these were in a great many cases caused by the presence of abscessed teeth and unhealthy mouths. Whether or not you were fortunate enough to escape give this matter the proper consideration now, before it is too late.

"If you have any suspicious conditions in your mouth, have them looked after. Remember the abscessed tooth does not necessarily cause pain or soreness. It was found that the ones producing the systemic troubles were the ones which were least suspected. Pursue the "ounce of prevention" policy and you will make no mistake. Signed, Dr. Blank."

Exhibit 3—(An announcement card)

"Dr. Blank wishes to announce to you that he has fitted a modern dental office—Main street (again,) and respectfully

invites your consideration to the following:

"I have recently completed a special course in removable and fixed bridge work and plate work (Philadelphia). With my 12 years experience, of which 18 months was spent in Base Hospital, Camp Blank, (during which time I was given a special course

by the Government at the school of oral and plastic surgery—University of Pa.) and with my previous large experience in Novocain, (Conductive and Infiltration) Anaesthesia, I feel that I am in a position to render the highest class Dental service, especially in connection with Systemic conditions such as rheumatism and gastric trouble resulting from obscure infections of the oral cavity. Signed, Dr. Blank."

These three I have just read, you will readily see are all by the same man—some advertiser I call him.

Exhibit 4—(A small announcement card)

ANNOUNCEMENT

"New dental offices—special prices—over candy kitchen, Main Street.

"Free dental examination—Dr. Blank, Dentist—Eugene Lovelace, Mechanical Dentist."

Exhibit 5—(A multigraph letter)

Dr. Blank Dentist,

March, 1923.

Dear Friend:-

"I notice on my books of four years practice here, that either you or some member of your family have been to my office, I am writing at this time to let you know I appreciate your patronage. Do not hesitate to come to see me for I endeavor at all times to satisfy and please my patients. It always disappoints me if a patient is not fully satisfied in every respect. I take special pride in each individual patient. Not even one shall go out dissatisfied if I can possibly prevent it.

"I have just recently installed one thousand dollars worth of new fixtures, namely a new hair dressing room for the ladies, a new mohogany cabinet, one new Ritter Dental unit. This fixture is the largest and most up-to-date dental fixture to be had. It has practically every electrical attachment a Dentist needs, hot and cold water, gas, compressed air, cautery and an electric mouth mirror for thorough examination of the mouth.

"I assure you my office is up-to-date and I am trying to give

my patients the very best of service.

"Thanking you for past favors, I remain,

"Yours respectfully,

Dr. Blank."

Exhibit 6

"Dr. Blank Dentist, phone blank. All work started will be finished as quickly and as efficiently as possible with a minimum amount of pain and by the most modern methods.

"SATISFACTION ASSURED."

The author of this advertisement was reported to the Ethics Committee and he was tried for it. It was reported to the society that it had been done unthoughtedly and that it would not happen again. Of course the error was shown him, so he goes home and changes his advertisement to read "Dr. Blank, dentist, X-Ray diagnosis."

If he understood the spirit of Ethics no better than that it is small wonder that he should write me and ask for an affidavit, to show some other State Board and tell me that the Ethics Committee had completely exhonerated him. He didn't get the

affidavit.

Exhibit 7

In the newspaper of this Blank city, I find the legitimate card, "Dr. Blank Dentist."

That is alright, but then in the back of the telephone directory it says, "Dr. Blank Dentist, X-Rays made, Gas given for extractions when desired."

Exhibit 8

"Dr. Blank Dentist—University of Pa."

That is a very mild one but it is advertising just the same. I had hoped to read one in which the reporter writes up a member in the local news column saying he has gone to attend the State meeting where he will read the leading paper or give the chief clinic but I didn't happen to find one. Some are usually passing about at a State meeting, but none was handed to me.

As a member of the North Carolina Dental Society I have seen with some concern and with much chargein this growing tendency to advertise.

And it has gone to such an extent that some of the best men in the society sometimes "fall for it" and thus set an example to the weaker members which grows and widens till the influence is so far reaching that it is alarming to say the least of it.

We are fast becoming the targets of ridicule from the other

professions which hold it among the unpardonable sins.

Men are now reported to our Ethics Committee almost every year for this offense but we are gradually becoming so calloused or so careless that we let it go by with hardly a reprimand.

The men who organized, and for so long kept alive the little spark of organization in our Society would never have succeeded had they tolerated that spirit of advertising which seems to be growing among us. It seems to me that it can only be taken as a sign of a gradual lowering of professional standards without due regard to what such a lowering means to the profession at large. In other words it seems due largely to ignorance of our standards and that ignorance comes largely from the fact that we have not openly discussed the matter as we should have done nor stressed it at our meetings.

And so this paper is written not with any feeling of criticism of the powers that are, nor with any feeling that I am so much without sin myself along this line, but it is written solely to give a little more publicity to the matter and at least not have members of this District Society say they didn't know it was against our

Code of Ethics.

This Code of Ethics has remained practically the same since the organization of the society and probably will remain without change for years to come. You will find it published in the back of your proceedings for the year 1921, but lest you cannot find that. I think it is well to incorporate it in this paper.

Article 2. Section 3. Reads as follows:

"It is unprofessional to resort to public advertisements, cards, hand-bills, posters, or signs, calling attention to 'peculiar styles' of work, lowness of prices, special modes of operating or to claim superiority over neighboring practitioners, to publish reports of cases, or certificates in the public prints, to go from house to house to solicit and perform operations, to circulate or

recommend nostrums or to perform other similar acts."

Much of this you will say does not apply to us at all but our greatest fault seems to lie along the line of newspaper advertising or the publication of cards calling attention to new equipment just purchased. You perhaps didn't pay for some of this advertising, the reporter just happened around and you showed him your new unit or chair and he wrote it up, but how did he know it was new? How did he know it was the very latest thing in equipment? You told him and you told him hoping and knowing he would give you a nice write up in the papers.

It is advertising just as surely as if you paid for a half page and it is more harmful on account of being so subtly done.

You were probably responsible for the reporter happening in.

If it is not advertising what is it?

If the Raleigh morning paper states this morning that I have left for Fayetteville where I will read a paper on some subject,

I ask you in all seriousness if I didn't tell them I was coming and going to read the paper hoping they might write me up and give

me a big head line on the front page.

If not advertising what is it?—Blowing your own horn to say the least, an old horn at that, one almost worn out from constant blowing. A reporter has a good nose for news, he is like an English Sparrow, he pokes his nose in everything, but when you read these little articles in the paper saying I have gone as a delegate to the National Dental Association at Los Angeles or that I am going to read a paper at Fayetteville or give a clinic at Cary, you know right at once that I have been talking too much to a reporter, you know I have been advertising, you know I have been telling secrets which in the language of Arthur Fleming I ought to carry to the other world with me—(only he didn't say "other world").

And then the card which we publish and mail to a few hundred telling them we are just back from Kalamazoo where we took a special course in extracting or in X-Ray or in cast gold or in somebody's course in plate work, or in other lines of specializing in

general practice.

That card is a violation of the Code of Ethics. It is hard to get up with, you perhaps only mail it to a faithful few who, you think will not show it. You don't want it shown to outsiders for fear it will become known and yet you want to advertise. If you didn't, why did you do it? These cards frequently find their way into the hands of your fellow practitioners, and, while nothing may be said by them to you they cannot possibly have the same high regard for you which they have had.

Do you know when we criticise another mans work there goes with that criticism the implied thought that you could have done it better than he has done it? It is a round about claim to superiority for your own work, a direct violation of the Code of Ethics.

I take my hat off in honor of that man, who when he looks into the mouth of a patient has nothing but praise for the work he finds there. When you find that, you have found a man who is a

stickler for professional Ethics.

This does not necessarily mean that I would have you give praise to inferior or to cheap work—work which you know is a menace to the health of the patient and which you know was done for the money that was in it. But in this day of the festive shyster lawyer and the ever present damage suit we cannot be too careful how we criticize—you are not accomplishing anything by taking the matter up with the patient. You must reach the dentist through your organization.

When a patient of mine tells me that someone has spoken kindly of my mediocre work, I do not swell up with pride but I know he has been in the hands of a gentlemen who has a high regard for the ethics of his profession, and yet you have known of dentists who had no praise for the very finest work, if they did not do it themselves.

They are trying to advertise themselves at the expense of some one else. Violating our Code of Ethics by claiming superiority

over neighboring practitioners, advertising themselves.

Advertising as set down in our Code of Ethics is referred to as public advertising, cards, hand-bills, posters, signs calling attention to peculiar styles of work.

I suppose the public advertisement means in the public print. That can be classed as the legitimate card and the outlaw card.

By the legitimate card we would class the simple professional card which would read, Dr. John Smith, Dentist. And that would be all, you might possible give the location of your office, and your office hours, but let that suffice. When you say Dr. John Smith, Dentist, X-Ray work a specialty, or special attention to childrens work, you are violating not only the spirit of the Code of Ethics but even the letter of it. It is perfectly legitimate for you to advertise "special attention to childrens teeth" provided you limit your practice to childrens teeth, and it is alright for you to advertise that you will specialize in X-Ray work, orthodonia, exodontia or what not, but if you are specializing in that you have no time for general practice and have no right to advertise this as a specialty unless you practice it as a specialty, having done with general practice.

It is easy to make a mistake along these lines, a man may think he is especially fitted to handle children, some men are specially fitted to handle some children, but unless you are going to do that to the exclusion of other work you have no right to advertise it. Only a specialist is superior along any one line to the

general practitioner.

And then there is a form of newspaper advertising that comes in the local news columns of the paper. This is harder to reach and maybe it does not cost you one single cent of money, but it

is advertising just the same.

Some years ago we found some men in the State practicing without license but they claimed immunity because they were not getting money for the work, receiving no pay, but the law was not against receiving pay without license, but for operating without license; and they were convicted. And so in advertising, our Code of Ethics does not forbid you getting something free, it simply forbids advertising, free or paid.

Some years ago a gentleman located in Raleigh, and after being open a few weeks, and finding business not as profitable as he had expected, he had published a two column article in the News and Observer in which the reporter wrote him up as the greatest living exponent of the practice of the Dental art, written up in the local news columns and cost nothing, so he said, and yet he was withdrawn from membership in our local society and withdrew from the State Society to prevent a like fate there. And yet he claimed that it was not an advertisement because it was not paid for, you can readily see the fallacy of such an excuse. And this we would readily class as outlawed advertising.

We too frequently let the reporter persuade us that it is not advertising. He can not see the situation from our standpoint. He would much rather have each one of us in active competition, to see who might have the largest front page of advertising in his paper. It would be money in his hands but it is worse than disgrace for us. So much for the newspapers, some think if we do not advertise in the papers that we can say what we will on posters. Have any of you ever seen a poster, advertising a Dentist, nailed up on a tree out in the country? I have seen it, in the most flaming type, stuck up everywhere. Someone has told me that Clay County, in the extreme southwest corner of the State, is now placarded with bill posters advertising a member of the North Carolina Dental Society. Where you see this you may know you have run upon a Dentist who "needs the money" and cares nothing for the profession. He is a disgrace to it. I had hoped to have one of those posters for display but it has not yet reached me.

I need hardly speak of other forms, but there are other ways. "Special Dentist to the Hotel," a sign on the theatre curtain or the theatre program. It seems like there are hundreds of different ways of beating around the bush and fooling your conscience into believing that you have advertised and yet are still within the law, but this appeal is made in all good conscience to ask and urge that we uphold the high standard of Ethics set for us by those who labored so hard to make our Society a success.

Don't think by this that I am opposed to any or all forms of publicity. I think lots of times that the Dental profession needs exactly what Irvin Cobb says North Carolina needs, a press agent. We need him badly but when we get him he must see to it that our profession as a whole gets the credit for what we have done and that the honor belongs to no single individual because of this see of his Ego, or the laudatory wording of his adversagment.

D.S.

As I said in the beginning the paper is not written in criticism of any action taken by the Ethics Committee in the past. They have heard the evidence of each case and I have not, but it seems hardly possible that a man who has gone through a dental school, and has had any sort of conception of ethics, should go out and start advertising and simply say he did not know it was wrong.

I think that if a man does make that grave error that the Ethics Committee should at least have him appear before the Society and let him there make explanation of his action to the

full membership of the Society.

If he was honest in not knowing he was doing wrong he certainly will be honest enough to apologize to the Society. In conclusion: There is a form of advertising I would commend to all. It is legitimate and no one can rob you of its effects, and that is work so well done that the patient returns for more and brings others with him. In other words be like Mellins baby food. "Advertised by our loving friends." It is all that counts.

North Carolina is first in Native born American Citizenship.

North Carolina is first in the manufacturing of Tobacco Products.

North Carolina is second in the manufacturing of Cotton Products.

North Carolina is fourth in the value of the leading Agricultural Products.

Where do we rank in Dentistry?

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Advertising

The Bulletin is especially favored in this issue with an article by North Carolina Dental Societies staunch friend and supporter, Dr. J. Martin Fleming. If you have not done so, read and reflect on every word of it. We sincerely hope that more such papers will be written by North Carolinians for publication in the Bulletin. The late Woodrow Wilson said, "I have written histories in order that I might learn history better." Try writing an article and you will certainly learn that particular branch better. Don't let your Professional Enthusiasm end with a few hours grind each day in the office—get into that real progressive swing which Dentistry has taken on during the last few years.

State Dental Library

Definite arrangements have been made with the North Carolina State Library at Raleigh to carry on their shelves and under their regular supervision, any Dental Histories or Publications which we may be able to secure. These are to be properly bound and kept for future references. If you have any Dental books

or magazines which you will donate, please mail same to Dr. Jessie R. Zachary, Raleigh, N. C., who has been appointed by the President as State Dental Librarian. She will gladly give you credit for same on her records.

Virginia Dental Association Meeting

The Virginia Dental Association is to hold its fifty-fifth annual meeting in Norfolk on April 28-30, 1924. The members of the North Carolina Dental Society recall with pleasure the splendid bunch of Virginians who joined with us last year in a meeting at Pinehurst, and while we are not holding a joint meeting this year, I am sure many of our members will be glad to take advantage of an opportunity to visit with our neighbors.

Interesting Monthly Meetings

The Raleigh Dental Society has hit on a very unique and helpful plan to make their regular monthly meetings more instructive. At each meeting a member is appointed by the President to review one of the monthly dental magazines and furnish a resume of same at the following meeting. The discussion is then open to all.

This plan may be worked in any local society. Give it a trial.

Manufacturers-Exhibitors

We are especially proud to announce that to date more than 250 feet of exhibit space has been assigned. This assures us of the largest number of Dental Exhibits ever shown in North Carolina. If you are thinking of purchasing any new equipment and want to see the very latest thing in dentistry, don't fail to visit the exhibits at the State Meeting.

Liability Insurance

Less than seventy-five of the six hundred dentists in North Carolina carry liability insurance. Is there not some plan whereby we can overcome this hazard? The Kentucky Dental Association carries its own insurance. Have you a workable suggestion? If so, I am sure the committee on Liability Insurance will be glad to have same.

Illegal Practitioner Prosecuted

Dr. J. Martin Fleming is still on the job as a real President of the Board of Dental Examiners. Only a short time ago he had

indicted a said Dr. Berger, Raleigh, N. C., for practicing dentistry without license. Dr. Berger paid \$25.00 and cost, the amount stipulated for the first offense.

Membership

Is every dentist in your county a member of the North Carolina Dental Society? If not, give him an invitation. If he is careless and out of harmony, then we can help him. If he is real good and progressive, then he can help us.

One Form of Study Club

Every member of the North Carolina Dental Society, will I am sure, be interested to note, through Dr. E. B. Howle's letter to the Secretary of the Fourth District Dental Society, that a real live Study Club has already been organized and is functioning in this State.

Dr. Jessie Zachary, Secty.,

Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Dr. Zachary:-

The Raleigh Study Club will be glad to give a clinic at the meeting of the Fourth District to be held here March 6th.

We shall attempt to show the proper preparation of teeth for abutments, a cast Hood crown, a cast gold shell crown, and the proper assembling of bridge to insure normal occlusion.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

E. B. Howle, Pres. Raleigh Dental Society.

Dr. Weston A. Price

Elsewhere in the Bulletin you will note that Dr. Weston A. Price, Cleveland, Ohio, is to be with us at our State meeting in April. We should consider ourselves very fortunate indeed in having secured Dr. Price, and while he has not announced his subject, yet we know it will be something no dentist can afford to miss. It is hoped that Dr. Price will be able to bring with him the wonderful clinic he showed at the Cleveland meeting which was the latest findings in his wonderful Research Laboratories.

Fiftieth Anniversary

On April 21-23, 1924, in the city of Raleigh, the North Carolina Dental Society will hold its Golden Anniversary Meeting. No stone is going to be left unturned to make this meeting a suitable climax to a half century of progress.

We are proud to announce the following who will appear on

the program:

Honorable Cameron Morrison, Governor of North Carolina. Dr. Otto U. King, Secretary of the American Dental Association.

Dr. Weston A. Price, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. Percy R. Howe, Boston, Mass.

Dr. John B. Wright, Raleigh, N. C.

Dr. R. H. Rudd, Richmond, Va.

Dr. Agnew Irwin, Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. J. O. Halverson, Raleigh, N. C.

Dr. J. Martin Fleming, Raleigh, N. C.

Tuesday Afternoon

The program committee has definitely decided to take Tuesday afternoon for play. Dr. Albert Anderson, Superintendent of the Dix Hill Hospital for the Insane, has extended a cordial invitation to all visiting dentists to inspect one of North Carolinas foremost Hospitals. Dr. H. A. Halverson of the Diet Department of the State Department of Agriculture is very anxious to have all visit his wonderful Colony and note the effect of balanced and unbalanced rations upon his white rats. All Institutions in Raleigh are equally anxious that you pay them a visit.

The Golfers will be given a chance to limber up on the Carolina

Country Club golf course.

At five o'clock, the Raleigh Dental Society will be host to all visitors at a real Eastern North Carolina Barbecue.

DISTRICT SOCIETIES

A note from Director of Districts

What are District Dental Societies and what advantages are

to be derived from membership in same?

The District Societies form the nucleus of the State Societies. They develop not only the mind but the social phase as well is worth consideration. Through contact men are able to know each other and to grasp technical ideas from one another. Scientific papers are more freely discussed by men when they know each other better.

Allow me as your Director of Districts to urge that every ethical dentist in North Carolina join and attend both his District and State Societies. Get up papers and clinics and present them first at the District meeting and then at the State meeting. You will not only help the other fellow but you will greatly benefit yourself.

John A. McClung

First District Dental Society

The First District Dental Society held its first meeting for the

year in Asheville on February 22d.

Dr. Wm. F. Bell, of Asheville, is chairman of the Clinic Committee for the State Society and it is understood his District is working hard to win first place at the State Meeting.

D. E. McConnell, President, J. W. Faucette, Secretary.

Second District Dental Society

The Second District Dental Society will hold its next meeting March 3d and 4th, in Statesville, N. C., at the Vance Hotel.

We are expecting a very good meeting this year. From present indications we will have at least twenty-five or thirty table clinics and a number of papers as well as some big guns from other States.

We are making a special effort to get every dentist in the District to join the District Society, as well as the State Society. I have appointed a dentist in each county to see every man who is not a member and insist on his joining the District and State Societies.

Cyrus C. Keiger, President, J. M. Holland, Secretary.

Third District Dental Society

The Third District Dental Society will hold its next meeting on March 24th, at the Sheraton Hotel, High Point. All indications point to an enthusiastic meeting. All are urged to attend.

D. K. Lockhart, President, C. H. Teague, Secretary.

Fourth District Dental Society

The Spring meeting of the Fourth District Dental Society will be held in Raleigh March 6th, at the Sir Walter Hotel.

Several helpful papers will be given and quite a surprise is to

be sprung in the Clinic line.

A. S. Cromartie, President, Jessie R. Zachary, Secretary.

Fifth District Dental Society

The Fifth District Dental Society held its mid-winter meeting in Rocky Mount on February 21st. Dr. C. E. Minges, chairman of the Program Committee, had arranged a splendid program. The following appeared on the program:

Dr. J. V. Turner, Wilson; Dr. J. Martin Fleming, Raleigh; Dr. Guy R. Harrison, Richmond; Dr. H. N. Walters, Warrenton; Dr. J. H. Wheeler, Greensboro; Dr. R. Weathersbee, Wilmington;

Dr. A. C. Bone, Rocky Mount.

L. R. Gorham, *President*, A. C. Bone, *Secretary*.

HOW THEY STAND

Who will win in the Membership Campaign? The Treasurer's special report of February 1st, 1924, revealed the following:

First District—28 paid up members.

Second District—48 paid up members.

Third District—20 paid up members.

Fourth District—58 paid up members.

Fifth District—29 paid up members.

If you have not paid your dues, mail your check to your District Secretary-Treasurer today. Help your District win the first place. Get a new member.